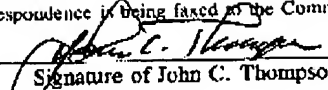


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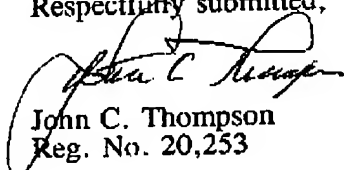
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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 applicants hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the office action. A Credit Card Payment Form for \$120.00 to cover the fee for a one month extension of time by a large entity as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a) is hereby enclosed.

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